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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re	:	
AMES DEPARTMENT STORES, INC., <i>et al.</i> ,	:	Chapter 11 Case No. 01-42217 (REG)
Debtors.	:	Jointly Administered
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AMES MERCHANDISING CORPORATION,	:	
Plaintiff,	:	Adversary Proceeding No.03-8490-reg
vs.	:	
GROTON INDUSTRIES A/K/A CHEYENNE INDUSTRIES	:	08 Civ. 1836 (RMB)
Defendant.	:	
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**AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE**

STATE OF NEW YORK )  
                          )ss.:  
COUNTY OF NEW YORK )

Donald Brown, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

Deponent is not a party to the action, is over 18 years of age and resides in Queens, New York.

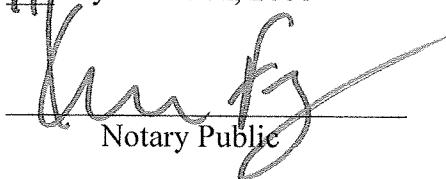
On March 7, 2008, deponent served a true and correct copy of the within **DECLARATION OF KEVIN FRITZ IN OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO WITHDRAW THE REFERENCE TO THE BANKRUPTCY COURT and MEMORANDUM OF LAW** upon:

Bonnie Boltz, Esq.  
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by hand delivering same to this address.

  
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Donald Brown

Sworn to before me this  
11 day of March, 2008

  
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Notary Public

KEVIN FRITZ  
Notary Public, State of New York  
No. 02FR6139281  
Qualified in New York County  
Commission Expires on January 3, 2010